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1. The petition filed on _____ under 37 CFR 1.312(b) is granted. The paper has been forwarded to the examiner for consideration on the merits.

2. The petition filed on _____ under 37 CFR 1.312(b) is dismissed.
 - a) The requisite petition fee of \$_____ has not been received.
 - b) Other :

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3. The amendment filed on 19 April 2001 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:
 - a) entered.
 - b) entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
 - c) disapproved. See explanation below.
 - d) entered in part. See explanation below.



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